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1. PRESS AUGUST 2 PRINTS TASS REPORT DESCRIBING

SIGNING AUGUST 1 OF AN "AGREEMENT ON THE RENDEERING BY THE SOVIET UNION OF FREE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH VIETNAM DURING 1973." AGREEMENT SIGNED BY IVAN GRISHIN, USSR DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER, AND PRG AMBASSADOR DANG QUANG MINH. PRESENT AT THE CREMONY WERE DEPUTY PRIMIN V.N. NOVIKOV, FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER PATOLICHEV, AND DEPUTY FONMIN FIRYUBIN.

2. ACCORDING PUBLISHED REPORT, USSR WILL PROVIDE MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT, FARM MACHINERY, AND MEDICINES. INTERESTINGLY, TASS ENGLISH WIRE (NOT PUBLISHED INTERNALLY) ALSO LISTED FOODSTUFFS AND CONSUMER GOODS.

3. COMMENT: TO BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, THIS IS THE FIRST AGREEMENT OF THIS SORT BETWEEN USSR AND PRG. IT SEEMS TO BE IN PART INTENDED AS ANOTHER SOVIET CONTRIBUTION (SEE REFTTEL, PARAGRAPH 4) TO LEGITIMACY OF PRG.
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